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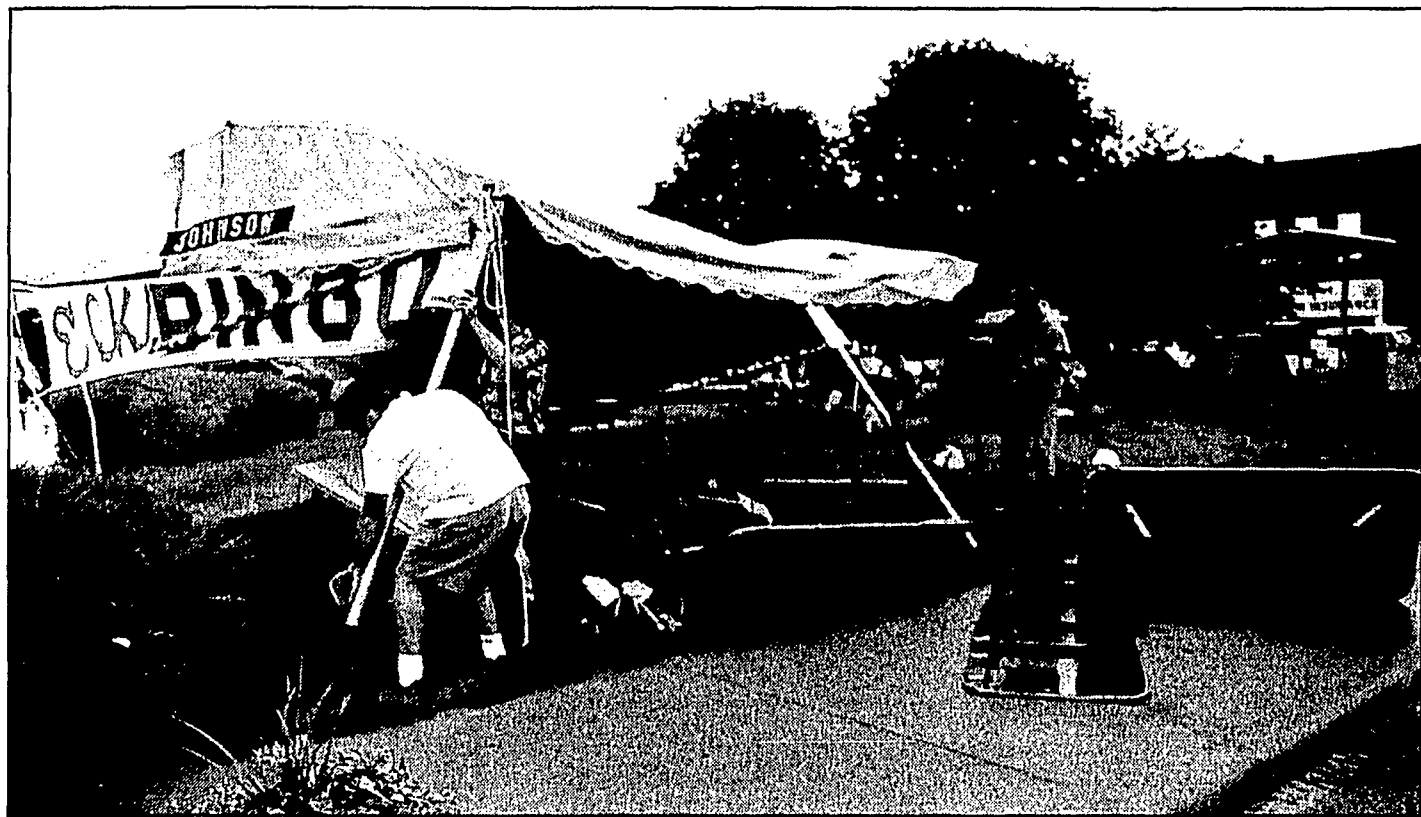
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Storm sours weekend fair events



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Starting over. Concession stands and display booths on the Nodaway County Courthouse lawn start over after Friday evening storms blew down many of the tents and caused some

minimal damage to carnival equipment. Fair-goers took shelter in the Courthouse and Northside Mall waiting for the summer storm to pass. After Fair Board members warned to take cover.

Nodaway County Fair shuts down events early after suffering storms

By Gene Cassell
Design Director

Even though the movie "Twister" has come and gone through Maryville, pages from its script were relived as rain, lightning and wind played havoc with fair-goers while toppling tents and crashing booths sent people scurrying for cover.

Mother Nature turned what was supposed to be an exciting weekend of events for the Nodaway County Fair into a lackluster event that saw many features canceled.

"The storm pretty well put a damper on Thursday and Friday," fairboard chairman Steve Mozier said. "A lot of Saturday's events were moved inside, and the carnival was shut down."

On Friday, the Duttons concert was canceled, as well as the teen dances scheduled for Friday and Saturday.

The fair took advantage of the facilities on the Northwest campus, having moved the cloggers, the magician and Bill Haley's comets inside the Charles Johnson Theater.

With losing all of the carnival on Saturday, Mozier said he hoped the fair would not be a

financial loss.

"We did pretty well on pre-ticket sales," he said. "There is just no way to tell."

People who bought tickets for the carnival and were not able to use them will not be left with useless tickets.

Ticketholders can either hold on to the tickets and use them for next year's fair and carnival or go to a carnival that is being operated by United Exposition anywhere. They will honor the tickets also.

There was a loss for the carnival operators, too. Ticket booths crashed over because of the wind and cracked windows inside the booth.

The sporadic rain also had an effect on the animals in the fair. The stuffed animals were drenched, leaving monetary losses for the carnival.

"There is a bunch of money gone there," Norman Whitney, a carnival employee, said.

Although most of the weekend was a wash-out, one set of events was unaffected by the weekend weather.

The livestock judging went on as planned. Livestock chairman Pat Spires said the weather had little effect on competition that took place Wednesday and Thursday.

"We had a slight decrease in numbers on Thursday, but that was probably due to a show nearby," Spires said.

Fair highlights local businesses

Shops around square benefit from exposure to window shoppers

By Jamie Hatz
Managing Editor

Although storms may have dampened the Nodaway County Fair, the fair didn't rain on local businesses' parade.

Their parade may not have brought a record number of sales, but it did bring the exposure the businesses needed.

"The fair brings people uptown to see the windows, and we do get more exposure," Looks owner April McMahon said.

Kathy Rice, Movie Magic owner, said the businesses in the square have always been hurt in the past because of the carnival covering the buildings, but this year the businesses were exposed.

"I think this year was better because last year the businesses were blocked," said Judy Brohammer, executive director of the Maryville Chamber of Commerce. "The extra exposure never hurts

because the more they see, the quicker they will come back."

Getting people to come back is the key to a busy weekend such as the fair.

"Normally we have a downturn in business, and all we can do is hope for people to see our business and come back later," Rice said. "This year we were pleased because carnival attractions didn't block business."

Although the businesses were not blocked, the rain did affect the number of people out over the weekend.

"It was a bad night to tell with the fair being rained out," said Tom Cooney, co-owner of the Dollar Store. "The rain didn't give the fair a chance to start up." Starting up was not the problem; it was just a matter of judging what the weather was going to do next.

"It was hard to judge with the rain, but we could tell sales were not going to be quite as good," Cooney said. "We are looking forward to next year's fair."

For some, the businesses may not have been blocked, but they still felt the absence of the normal shopping crowds.

"It's hard because people come in town to just go to the fair and the people who shop stay away because they don't want to battle the fair," Liba Weland, full time employee at the Pickett Fence, said.

Saturday's rain interrupted plans, but the businesses' parade continued.

"Overall we were pleased," Rice said. "The main thing is to get people in the town area to realize that there are functioning businesses 52 weeks of the year and will want to come back."

The fair is a busy time and like any big event, extra help is always needed.

"Businesses may have to increase staff and watch for shoplifters," Brohammer said. "The more people in town the more crowded the city."

Crowding the city brings revenue and a certain hometown pride.

"Anytime Maryville has extra people come into town, they eat, grocery shop and spend money," Brohammer said. "The money stays in the city and gives us the chance to show off our town. We show how proud we are of Maryville when we spruce up for company."



GREG DALRYMPLE/Photography Director

Pucker Up. Maryville head football coach Chuck Lliteras, lays a big wet on a pig in the 'Kiss the Pig' ceremony. Lliteras won the most

money in the Kiss the Pig contest, earning him the right to kiss the pig while the results of the Miss Nodaway County Fair were calculated.

Exhibits show 4-H skills



CHRIS GALITZ/Assistant Managing Editor

Enjoying success. 4-H and open class displays in the First Christian Church basement were popular dry places to visit Friday. Ribbons and state honors rewarded many hours of preparation.

By Chris Galitz

Assistant Managing Editor

Purple ribbons gave many Nodaway County 4-Hers the distinction of being chosen to participate in the 1996 Missouri State Fair.

Interstate Fair, which takes place in St. Joseph, also holds special honors for those involved with the 4-H program.

Time and careful preparation go into projects that will be a part of the State and Interstate Fair.

Karlene Nelson, a five-year 4-Her, spent several months in preparation for the Nodaway County Fair and 4-H Achievement Day. Nelson's time was rewarded by having several of her projects chosen for the State Fair.

Each different project requires a variety of skills and many hours of practice aiming for perfection.

"I crocheted a material rug," Nelson said. "That's pretty much my masterpiece for the year."

Nelson says there really isn't a secret to her success.

"Just trying the best you can and learning all you can by doing," she said. "Just try your hardest."

4-H participation rewards members with more than ribbons and state fair honors. Nelson believes her 4-H participation will help her later on in life.

"I've learned to cook and the grill and make homemade bread it helps with family dinners."

Personal growth is not the only way 4-Hers are honored for outstanding project work. Positive comments and congratulatory notes mean a lot to the successful 4-Her.

"It's kind of nice," Nelson said. "If a friend or family member looks through the projects and sees your name and congratulates you — it makes you feel like people care."

Football coach snatches kiss with pig for good cause

Teamwork pays off when it comes to getting back at Lliteras with porcine smooch

By Chris Galitz

Assistant Managing Editor

Before dusting off the old pigskin, Chuck Lliteras, Maryville High School football coach, had to face a new type of pigskin.

Lliteras was chosen by voters in Today's Civic Women Kiss the Pig contest.

Lliteras found stiff competition against Jane Dawson, doctor; John Zimmerman, county clerk; Roger Prokes, lawyer; and Kathy Morgan, St. Francis mental health unit administrator.

Votes were cast by money placed into jars with all the contestants' pictures, which were placed throughout Maryville 10 days before the fair.

"We had football camp all last week, and we told coach we were going to make him kiss the pig," junior defensive lineman Doug Mackey said. "It wasn't a big surprise, but it was funny to see it."

Players hassled Coach Lliteras throughout the week of football camp, to hopefully pool enough money to make Lliteras the winner of the pig-kissing contest.

As the money was counted teamwork paid off for the football team in a new way, making their coach kiss a pig.

"Now that he has kissed the pig, he won't live it down the whole year."

— Doug Mackey
Junior defensive lineman

"Now that he's kissed the pig, he won't live it down the whole year," Mackey said.

Today's Civic Women plan to hold the fund-raising event again next year. Each year the money the pig-kissing contest raises will go back into the community.

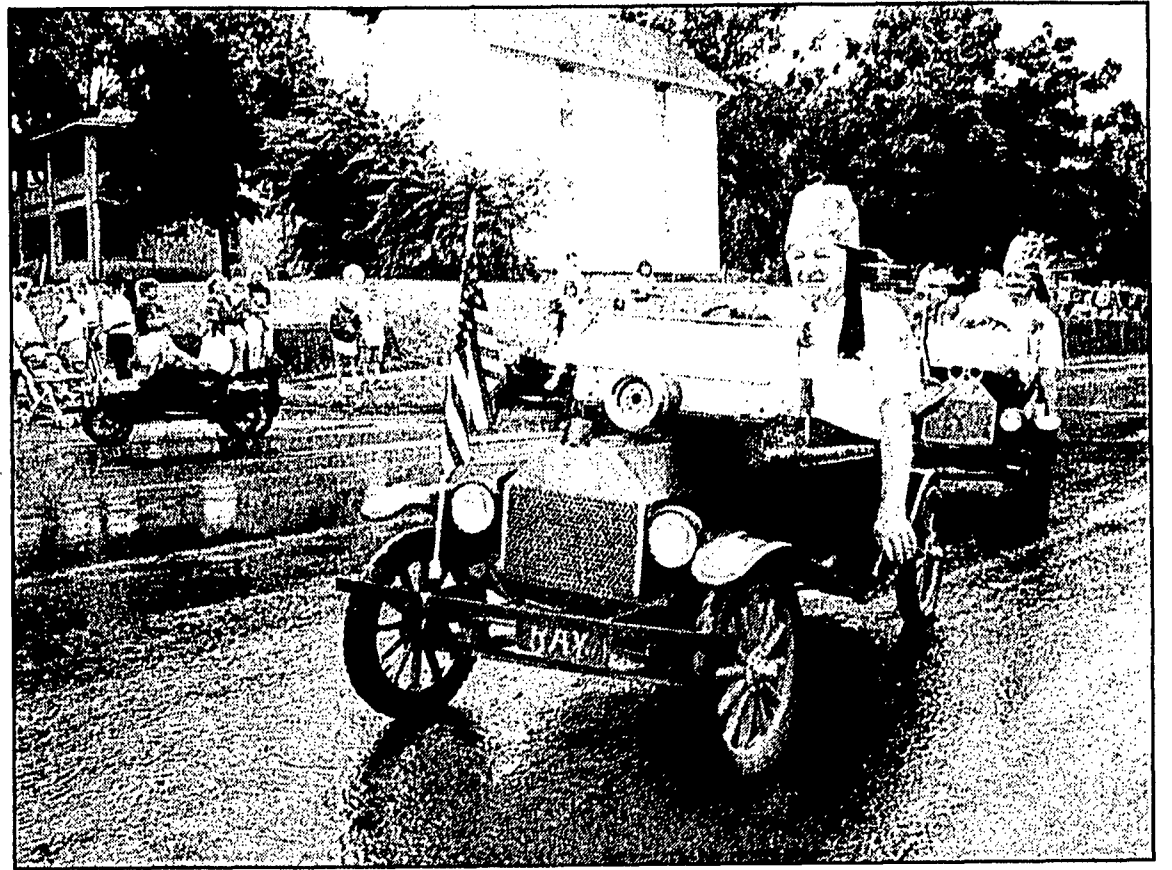
"We donate it back to the community through what other organizations, like the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, are doing," said Deb Snyder, organizer of the kiss the pig contest.

Snyder's husband helped the club with the initial idea for a pig-kissing fund-raiser.

"My husband thought of it," Snyder said. "He saw it done at another county fair."

Local farmer Mike Degase supplied the 60 pound farm pig Lliteras had the honor of kissing Thursday evening.

Horsin' Around in the Parade



MITCH BAYSINGER/Chief Photographer



Road hogs. (Top far right) A staple of many parades across the country, members of the Shriners Club take part in the Nodaway County Fair parade on Saturday.

Ridin' tall. (Right) Jesse Birkenholtz, son of Lewis and Lesely Birkenholtz of Hopkins, rides in Saturday's parade with other members of his saddle club.

Parade march. (Far Right) Members of the Maryville band auxiliary lead the way during the rainy fair parade.



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Clownin' around. (Top right) Maryville Health Care Center workers were wet and wacky during the fair parade. The Health Care Center won the Best of Parade honor.

Parade's in town. (Above) The Nodaway County Fair Parade was in town Saturday, despite the rain. Rain or shine, the parade can be depended on to bring out the crowds.

Rollin' through the rain. (Bottom right) Four wheeling through the wet streets of Maryville during parade, many clowns tried to stay dry while taking part in the festivities.



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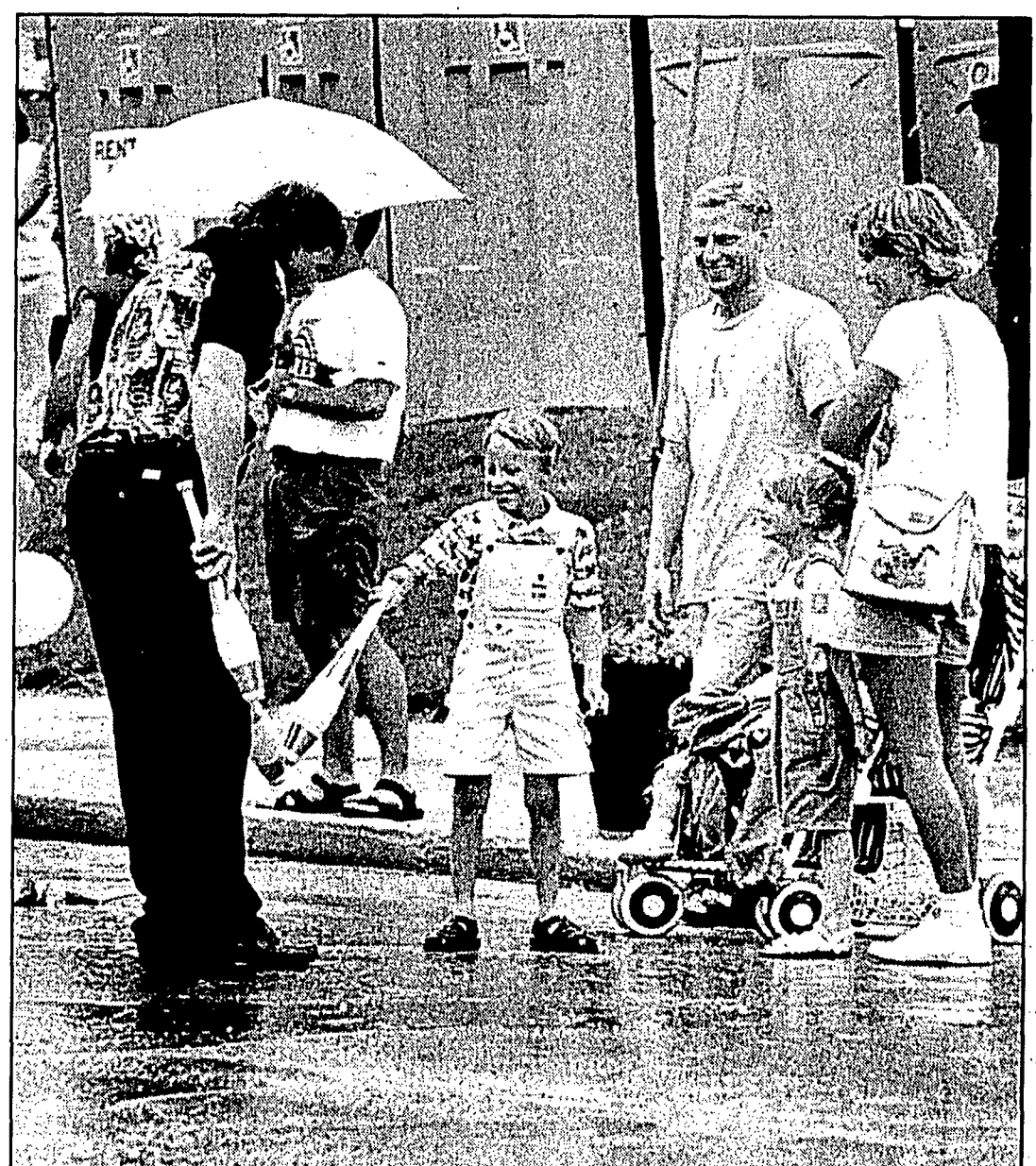
Royal ride. (Far top left) William Payne and Darbi Fuhrman take a victory ride during the Nodaway County Fair parade.

We're not in Kansas anymore. (Left) Jessica Cordell plays Dorothy as she passes through the streets of Maryville during the parade on Saturday. She placed first in the clown entries.

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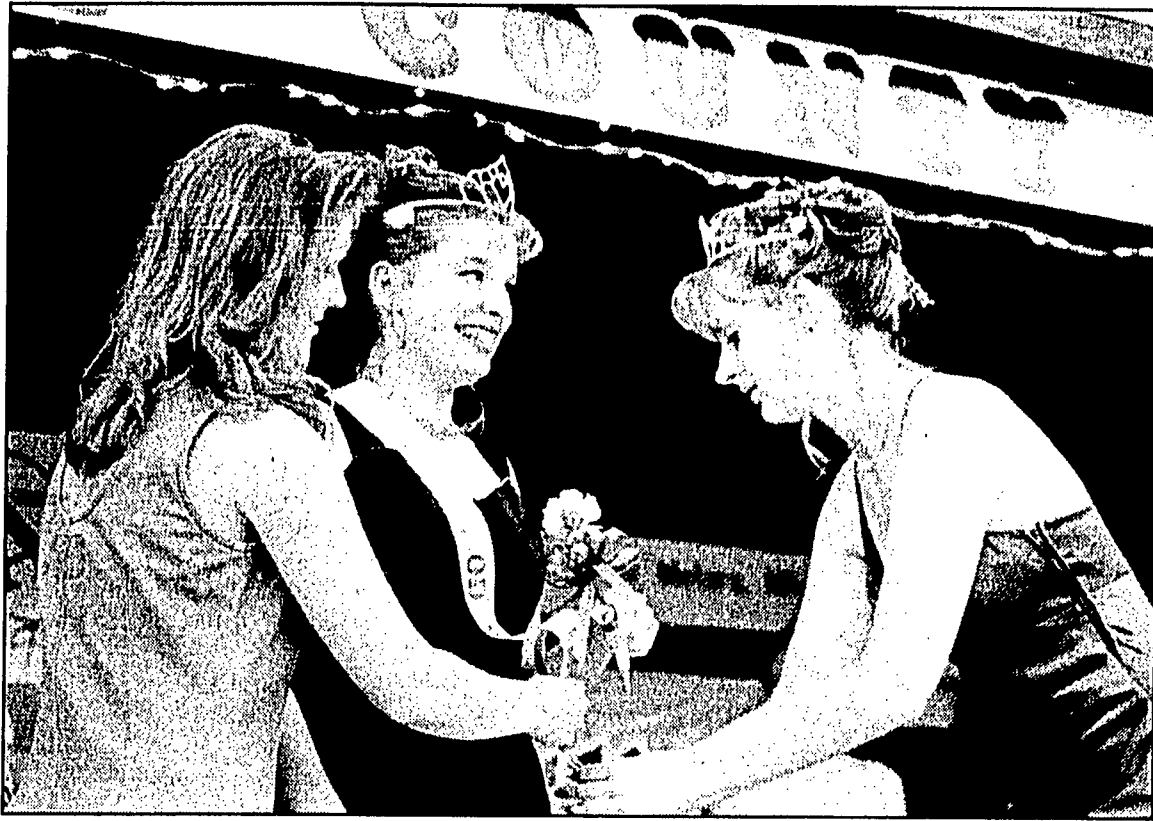


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On guard. (Above) Tyler Haack, son of Troy and Tommy Haack, joshes around with a clown during the parade.

Senior road trip. (Center left) Members of the 1997 graduating class from Maryville High School take a trip around the parade route during the fair's parade on Saturday.

There's no place like home. (Left) Participating in the Saturday morning parade, Hy-Vee entered its float with a Wizard of Oz theme. Despite a light drizzle, the parade still proceeded on.



GREG DALRYMPLE/Photography Director

Fairest of them all. Emily Beatty won Miss Nodaway County Fair Queen Thursday, kicking off this summer's fair. She is 15 years old and is from

Parnell and will be a sophomore West Nodaway High School. She is the daughter of Terry and Judy Beatty and was sponsored by Hoegemeyer Hybrids.

New queen left speechless

Lowering age requirements allows 15-year-old to take annual beauty pageant title

By Chris Gallitz
Assistant Managing Editor

Emily Beatty will crown the 1997 Nodaway County Fair with a sense of pride and accomplishment. However, being the youngest of eight contestants wasn't enough to scare off this 15-year-old.

Beatty was honored with the title of 1996 Nodaway County Fair Queen Thursday evening.

"It was by far the biggest thrill I have ever had," Beatty said. "Last year's queen probably felt the same thing; it's just so overwhelming."

As new royalty she was almost left speechless.

"It's hard to describe the feelings," Beatty said.

"You feel like you are on top of the world."

She ran only after persistent encouragement from family and friends who believed she would be strong competition.

"It helped me a lot to know that there were people out there who supported me," she said. "My uncle, Steve Cordell, sponsored me, it was really a family thing."

"I'd always wanted to do something like that," Beatty said. "My parents thought it would be a good experience for me to get to do something like this."

Beatty's parents believed the pageant process would be a learning experience for their daughter; now she shares their thoughts.

The 1996 Fair Queen believes that she and fellow competitors learned from pageant participation.

"We all won," Beatty said. "No matter who has the crown and who has the sash, I think everyone up

there won something."

Besides being crowned, Beatty also won friendships.

"I didn't know any of the girls before the competition," Beatty said.

After competing for royal honors Beatty thinks of the other candidates as friends.

"I respect all of the young women who were up there," Beatty said. "They were all very talented individuals."

Before winners were announced, the candidates all shared some nervousness.

"Right when they call your name," she said. "I think everybody was nervous."

"Whenever we were all getting ready in the dressing rooms everybody kept coming in telling us how many minutes were left until the competition," she said. "That was pretty nervewracking."

Overall, Beatty thinks her participation in the fair was very positive.

"I helped hand-out awards, made speeches — really my job was a lot of fun," Beatty said. "I got to meet a lot of people while I helped out."

Rain that ended the festivities early left many people disappointed. Many of the events Beatty was to attend as queen were canceled because of the storms.

"It was kind of disappointing that the weather was so gloomy for the fair," she said.

Beatty's duties as Nodaway County Fair Queen didn't end with the closing of the fair. She will participate in local parades and fair events.

"(The fair board) said I am going to be pretty busy all year."

Beatty is the daughter of Terry and Judy Beatty of Parnell. She will be a sophomore at Northeast Nodaway High School in the fall.

Cake Decorating

State participants:

Tanna White, Maryville
Lisa McCrary, Maryville
Katie McKee, Maryville
Heather White, Maryville
Stacy Angle, Stanberry
Karlene Nelson, Maryville
Bess Baldwin, Hopkins

Interstate Participants:

Ashley Reed, Maryville
Amy Schieber, Maryville
Stacy Angle, Stanberry (2)
Karlene Nelson, Maryville
Keeley White, Hopkins

Blue Ribbons:

Addie Bade, Maryville
Elizabeth Leger, Conception Junction
Barbara Vance, Maryville
Ashley Joslin, Maryville
Ashley Reed, Maryville
Karlene Nelson, Maryville

Crochet

Christina Gahl, Quitman
Karlene Nelson, Maryville (2)

Interstate Participants:

Lacy Derr, Burlington Junction
Keeley White, Hopkins

Blue Ribbons:

Verlena Downing, Burlington Junction
Christina Gahl, Quitman
Lacy Derr, Burlington Junction
Leah Koger, Clearmont

Miscellaneous

State Participants:

Steffanie Spire, Maryville
Tanna White, Hopkins

Kathy Berg, Graham

Interstate Participants:

Michelle Spire, Maryville

Abby Merrigan, Barnard

Blue Ribbon:

Danny Davison, Hopkins

Kathy Berg, Graham

Shooting Sports

State Participants:

Ashley Sherlock, Burlington Junction

Kyle Koch, Ravenwood

Boyd Koch, Ravenwood

Daniel Hanig, Quitman

Interstate Participants:

Ashley Sherlock, Burlington Junction

Daniel Hanig, Quitman

Outdoor Skills

Camping

State Participants:

Stuart Kemper, Conception Junction

Kevin Archer, Conception Junction (2)

Interstate Participants:

Stuart Kemper, Conception Junction

Kevin Archer, Conception Junction

Fishing

State participants:

Dallas Wilson, Barnard

Boyd Koch, Ravenwood

Interstate participants:

Boyd Koch, Ravenwood

Matt Lager, Conception Junction

Blue Ribbons:

James Downing, Burlington Junction

Kevin Archer, Conception Junction

Model Rocketry

State Participants:

Matthew Rosenbohm, Graham

Interstate Participants:

Matthew Rosenbohm, Graham

Model Airplanes

Red Ribbon:

David Brand, Hopkins

Geology

State Participants:

Justin Jackson, Bolckow

Interstate Participants:

Justin Jackson, Bolckow

Electricity

State Participants:

Ryan Spire, Maryville

Interstate Participants:

Ryan Spire, Maryville

Home Grounds

State Participants:

Elizabeth Lager, Conception Junction

Deanna McQueen, Conception Junction

Interstate Participants:

Rebecca Stoll, Ravenwood

Nacaela Greeley, Hopkins

Blue Ribbons:

Becky Giesken, Ravenwood

Elizabeth Lager, Conception Junction

Natalie Archer, Conception Junction

Katie Archer, Conception Junction

Michelle Giffin, Bolckow

Amber Buholt, Ravenwood

Amanda Thurman, Ravenwood

Terra Hernden, Ravenwood

Computers

State Participants:

Christine Schuler, Maryville

Interstate Participants:

Christine Schuler, Maryville

Blue Ribbons:

Karlene Nelson, Maryville

Addie Bade, Maryville

Amy Wiederholt, Clyde

Kristin Wiederholt, Clyde

Brad Moffat, Ravenwood

History

State Participants:

Matthew Wilson, Barnard

Interstate Participants:

Matthew Wilson, Barnard

Clothing

State Participants:

Stacy Angle, Stanberry (2)

Interstate Participants:

Child Development

State Participants:

Kimberly Larabee, Burlington Junction

Kathy Berg, Graham

Beth Mires, Maryville

Interstate Participants:

Sara Larabee, Burlington Junction

Kelli Hull, Elmo

Beth Mires, Maryville (2)

Blue Ribbons:

Sara Larabee, Burlington Junction

Kelli Hull, Elmo

Amber Stevens, Burlington Junction

Kimberly Larabee, Burlington Junction (2)

Vanessa Snoderly, Elmo

Heather White, Clearmont (2)

Visual Arts

Chalk - Carbon

State Participants:

Beth Mires

Interstate Participants:

Jennifer Giffin

Leather

State Participants:

Breanna Wonderly, Conception Junction

Stacy Angle, Stanberry (2)

Breanna Wonderly, Conception Junction

Nature Materials

State Participants:

Kalee Wood, Elmo

Mixed Media

State Participants:

Verlana Downing, Burlington Junction

Christina Gahl, Quitman

Blue Ribbons:

Ashley Sherlock, Burlington Junction

Amber Stevens, Burlington Junction (2)

Lacy Derr, Burlington Junction (2)

Sarah Shipley, Burlington Junction (2)

Stacy Angle, Stanberry (3)

Ashley Reed, Burlington Junction (2)

Jasmine Thompson, Hopkins

Kathy Bera, Graham

Elizabeth Shipley, Burlington Junction

Leslie Burns, Burlington Junction (2)

Heather White, Clearmont (2)

Chalk, Carbon

State Participants:

Verlana Downing, Burlington Junction

Interstate Participants:

Ashley Sherlock, Burlington Junction

Blue Ribbons:

Elizabeth Shipley, Burlington Junction

(2)

Lacy Derr, Burlington Junction (3)

Sarah Shipley, Burlington Junction

Ashley Sherlock, Burlington Junction

(2)

Amber Stevens, Burlington Junction (3)

Stacy Angle, Stanberry

Sara Larabee, Burlington Junction

Vanessa Snoderly, Elmo (2)

Christina Gahl, Quitman (2)

Kelli Hull, Elmo

Ashley Reed, Burlington Junction (2)

Leslie Burns, Burlington Junction (3)

Woodworking

State Participants:

Valerie Runde, Parnell

Kristin Luke, Clyde

Robbie Schimming, Maryville

Tim Schimming, Maryville

Travis Angle, Stanberry (2)

Trevor Angle, Stanberry

Interstate Participants:

Shane Runde, Parnell

Valerie Runde, Parnell

Travis Angle, Stanberry

Trevor Angle, Stanberry

Blue Ribbons:

(2)

Trent Thompson, Hopkins

Cody Hersh, Maryville (2)

Trevor Angle, Stanberry

Cody Jenkins, Conception Junction (2)

Matthew Jenkins, Conception Junction

(4)

Danny Davison, Hopkins

Fashion Review

State Participants:

Michelle Giffin, Bolckow

Kimberly Brand, Hopkins

Interstate Participants:

Sarah Stiens, Skidmore

Katie Schieber, Conception Junction

Textiles

State Participants:

Kathy Berg, Graham

Interstate Participants:

Christina Gahl, Quitman

Ashley Reed, Burlington Junction

Blue Ribbons:

Elizabeth Shipley, Burlington Junction

Amber Stevens, Burlington Junction

Vanessa Snoderly, Elmo

Verlana Downing, Burlington Junction

Stacy Angle, Stanberry (2)

Lyndi Baldwin, Hopkins

Lisa McCrary, Maryville

Heather White, Clearmont

Desarae Allen, Maryville

Malinda Allen, Maryville

Fiber

State Participants:

Stacy Angle, Stanberry

Laura Ward, Maryville

Denise Murphy, Clearmont

Interstate Participants:

Samantha Vance, Maryville

Christina Gahl, Quitman

Sarah Stiens, Skidmore

Ashley Reed, Burlington Junction

Blue Ribbons:

Karen George, Maryville

Cathy George, Maryville

Tanna White, Hopkins

Barbara Vance, Maryville

Samantha Vance, Maryville

Verlana Downing, Burlington Junction

(2)

Trevor Angle, Stanberry (3)

Parade survives morning showers

After surviving rain, event's organizers deem event successful

By Chris Triebsch
Editor in Chief

Various measures have been taken throughout history to stop the rains — prayers, dances, cult-like services and bizarre rituals. But in 1996, it only took the Nodaway County Fair parade to temporarily achieve that goal.

Ironically, spectators of the event were rained on before it began, but the rain let up during the parade only to resume after it was over.

Someone must have noticed the hard work volunteers put into the parade. At any account, the annual event went on and to parade chair Harley Kissinger, the tradition lived up to the same quality as the past.

"There wasn't that much difference (from our past) parades," Kissinger said. "There were more commercial entries than usual, but we had some nice floats."

Even though it rained cats and dogs, the attendance of entrants was not diminished.

"It was probably a little bit below but not much," Kissinger said. "Considering all the problems with the fair we had a good parade."

Those who braved the rain had the opportunity to see several floats that required a lot of hard work in preparing for the parade.

Maryville Health Care Center received the Best of Parade award.

Mike Segura, who works in rehabilitation for the center, and Katie Myers, who works in social services, helped coordinate the float.

Segura said he was surprised by

the results of the entry, which also received first in the open floats competition. The float this year had a circus theme to it.

This was not the first year of competition for the center. Last year, the center placed second in its division and before that it won the Chamber of Commerce President's Trophy.

"It was nice," Segura said. "We try to go out every year to represent the facility the best we can."

Other winners in the parade include Hy-Vee, who won the Chamber of Commerce President's Trophy and placed first in commercial floats. Rod's Hallmark and Looks placed second and third respectively.

Organization float winners were St. Francis Preschool and Child Care, Tri County Right to Life and United Way, who placed first, second and third respectively.

Placing second and third in open floats behind Maryville Health Care Center were Walk Skunk Spraying Machine and the Sport Shop.

Clown winners were Ashley Mullen and Jessica Cordell who displayed a Wizard of Oz theme on bicycles complete with a little dog.

Vehicle winners include Willis Walker, Don Demott, Ruby Estep, Johnson Funeral Home, Roger and Jane Sebeniecher, Richard Brand and Charles Verbiak.

Horse winners include Richard Zimmerman, Multi Hitch; Skidmore Town & Country Saddle Club, Best Dressed Saddle Club; Long Riders, Largest Saddle Club; Younger Auction Company and A+ Realty, Draft Horse Hitch; Cecil and Diane Sunderman, Single Hitch; and Kara Adams and "Sweetie," Horse/Mule Individual.

Achievement Day

Foods Level A

State Participants:

Christina Grah, Quitman
Kim Larabee, Burlington Junction
Jaclyn Adkins, Burlington Junction
Ashley Reed, Burlington Junction
Lyndi Baldwin, Hopkins
Naracela Greeley, Hopkins
Interstate Participants:
Jaclyn Adkins, Burlington Junction
Kim Larabee, Burlington Junction

Blue Ribbons:

Christina Grah, Quitman
Kristin Wiederholt, Clyde
Ashley Wiederholt, Clyde
Ashley Reed, Burlington Junction
Julie Sielaff, Conception Junction

Foods Level B

State Participants:

Brett Denney, Elmo
Interstate Participants:
Brett Denney, Elmo

Breads

State Participants:

Sarah Stiens, Skidmore
Karlene Nelson, Skidmore

Interstate Participants:

Sarah Stiens, Skidmore
Christina Grah, Quitman

Blue Ribbons:

Sarah Stiens, Skidmore (2)
Karlene Nelson, Skidmore (2)
Kelli Hull, Elmo

Campground Cookery

State Participants:

Karlene Nelson, Skidmore

Interstate Participants:

Karlene Nelson, Skidmore

Photography

State Participants:

Ashley Pride, Ravenwood
Miles Kinman, Ravenwood

Interstate Participants:

Rebecca Stoll, Ravenwood
Ashley Pride, Ravenwood

Blue Ribbons:

Mathew Wilson, Barnard
Rebecca Stoll, Ravenwood (3)
Ashley Pride, Ravenwood (14)
Miles Kinman, Ravenwood (8)

Photography

State Participants:

Abbie Stiens, Ravenwood
Keely White, Hopkins
Chelsey Downen, Ravenwood

Interstate Participants:

Denise Murphy, Clearmont
Kimberly Brand, Hopkins (2)

Blue Ribbons:

Craig Stiens, Maryville
Abbie Stiens, Ravenwood (2)
Elizabeth Lager, Conception Junction (2)
Nicole Mattson, Conception Junction (4)

Keely White, Hopkins (2)

Chelsey Downen, Ravenwood (4)
Kimberly Brand, Hopkins (2)

Photography 353

State Participants:

Monty Kinman, Ravenwood

Interstate Participants:

Monty Kinman, Ravenwood
Michelle Giffin, Bolckow

Blue Ribbons:

Monty Kinman, Ravenwood (2)
Beth Stiens, Skidmore (2)
Michelle Giffin, Bolckow

Advanced Clothing

State Participants:

Michelle Giffin, Bolckow

Interstate Participants:

Michelle Giffin, Bolckow

Clothing Level 6

State Participants:

Ali Baldwin, Hopkins

Interstate Participants:

Ali Baldwin, Hopkins
Michelle Giffin, Bolckow

Clothing Level 5

State Participants:

Jennifer Griffin, Guilford

Interstate Participants:

Jennifer Griffin, Guilford

Clothing Level 1

State Participants:

Nicole Mattson, Conception Junction
Amy Schieber, Conception Junction

Jill McQueen, Conception Junction (2)
Katie Schieber, Conception Junction

Interstate Participants:

Jill McQueen, Conception Junction
Cathy George, Maryville

Blue Ribbons:

Nicole Mattson, Conception Junction
Amy Schieber, Conception Junction (3)
Lindsey Archer, Conception Junction (3)
Natalie Archer, Conception Junction (2)

Amy Wiederholt, Stanberry (2)
Jill McQueen, Conception Junction

Katie Schieber, Conception Junction
Cathy George, Maryville

Karen George, Maryville

Clothing Level 2

State Participants:

Verlena Downing, Burlington Junction
Keely White, Hopkins

Nicole Mattson, Conception Junction

Interstate Participants:

Keely White, Hopkins
Nicole Mattson, Conception Junction

Blue Ribbons:

Beth Mires, Maryville
Valerie Runde, Parnell

Kimberly Brand, Hopkins
Keely White, Hopkins

Katie Schieber, Conception Junction (2)
Deanna McQueen, Conception Junction

Clothing Level 3

State Participants:

Sarah Stiens, Skidmore

Interstate Participants:

Sarah Stiens, Skidmore
Kathy Berg, Graham

Clothing Level 4

State Participants:

Ashley Pride, Ravenwood
Kimberly Brand, Hopkins

Interstate Participants:

Ashley Pride, Ravenwood
Kimberly Brand, Hopkins

Blue Ribbons:

Abbie Stiens, Ravenwood

Group offers leadership experience

Mic-O-Say gives local youth opportunity to participate in area Indian folklore tribe

By Chris Galitz

Assistant Managing Editor

Torrential rainfall, high gusting winds and lightning covered the sky Friday evening at the Nodaway County Fair during what was supposed to, ironically, be a raindance by the Mic-O-Say dancers.

From the safety of the Northside Mall, two young members of Mic-O-Say, Wild Spark and Hidden Rock, waited for the rains to end.

"Our first dance was today at Easters; we came here to perform and (the storm) came up," said Mark Dean, whose Mic-O-Say name is Hidden Rock.

"We both just got tapped into Mic-O-Say," Spencer Martin, (Wild Spark) said. "We haven't danced much."

Despite the rain that Mic-O-Say and the rest of the Nodaway County Fair faced this year, the Boy Scouts of America organization continues to provide an outlet for leadership experience to Nodaway County youth.

Mic-O-Say is an organization derived from Boy Scouts of America that focuses on Indian folklore.

To be a member of the tribe a young scout must be a third-year camper at Camp Geiger outside of St. Joseph, a Star Scout and show leadership skills and a maturity.

Upon induction into the tribe, new members receive an Indian name depicting one of their personalities or one that is passed down through their family.

To advance up the ladder in the Mic-O-Say tribe, members must also advance in rank in scouting and fulfill costume requirements for their designated rank.

There are 11 levels of membership in the tribe beginning with brave, warrior, honorary warrior, firebuilder, tom-tom beater, runner, keeper of the sacred bundle, sachem, medicine man, chieftain and chief.

Comradery is an important aspect of the dance team with older members teaching new ones.

"It's fun just to go out and dance in front of people," said Jay Howard, who has been a member for two years. "Especially with the younger



Photo Courtesy of Patty Sowards

Tribal pow-wow. A tribe of Mic-O-Say dancers share dances with residents of the Nodaway County Nursing Home. Tribesmen Patrick

guys because they're learning."

Spencer and Martin are both looking forward to advancing within Mic-O-Say.

"One of the best things about being a fire builder is getting to build the tapping fire," Martin said. Rank is often signified through the lanyard.

"Different colors of coup signify the number of dances someone goes to," Howard said.

However, tribesmen do more than dance.

Other time investments for Mic-O-Say dancers include regular scout meetings, dance practices and the time that always goes into making a dance costume.

"We make our own costumes," Martin said. "It's really time consuming; it can take months."

New members to the Mic-O-Say tribe often develop strong bonds while making their own costumes.

O'Connell, Chris Sowards and Chris Rowlette dressed in ceremonial costumes as they participated in the traditional warriors dance.

"They have a lot of fun and interaction working together on their costumes," said Ann Martin, mother of new member Spencer Martin.

Tradition, respect and trust throughout all members is a large part of the organization.

"The older Mic-O-Say allowed younger ones to borrow costumes they spent hours making," Ann Martin said.

Parents of younger Mic-O-Say members believe being a tribesman provides positive role models and a strong moral background.

Larry Leivan, assistant scout master, believes that youth strongly benefit from involvement in programs like Mic-O-Say and scouting.

"They're just good programs, boy scouts and girl scouts," Leivan said.

"It teaches them to be self sufficient, self motivated and about leadership," Ann Martin said.

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Carved character blue ribbon to Don Reese, Maryville. Carved wood bird blue ribbon

to Harold Fields, Maryville. Carved wood other blue ribbon to Harold Fields, Maryville.

Jewelry Beads blue ribbon to Lisa Smeltzer, Maryville.

Ceramics Ceramics blue ribbon to Becky Greeley, Maryville. Pottery blue ribbon to Mark Smeltzer.

Photography People photography blue ribbons to Joan Schneider, Maryville; Paul Mayer, Hopkins; Renee Weyer, Maryville. Things photography blue ribbon to Paul Mayer, Hopkins.

Painting Acrylic painting blue ribbons to Anita Espey, Maryville and Alice Zimmerman, Maryville. Drawing blue ribbon to Mayra Scher, Maryville.

Large needlework original design blue ribbon to Susan Hersh-Goff, Cambridge, Ill.

Small needlework original design blue ribbon to Susan Hersh-Goff, Cambridge, Ill.

Plastic Canvas blue ribbon to Lisa Smeltzer, Maryville. Baby items blue ribbon to Judy White, Maryville. Crocheted afghan blue ribbons to Phyllis Roberson, Maryville and Doris Lawson, Maryville.

Other crocheted items blue ribbons to Phyllis Roberson, Maryville; Jean Johnson, Glenwood, Iowa and Doris Lawson, Maryville.

Clothing Adult clothing blue ribbons to Naoma Smeltzer, Maryville and Judy White, Maryville.

Hand quilting blue ribbons to Velma Kinman, Maryville; Cyndi Thomas, Maryville and Judy White, Maryville.

Machine quilting blue ribbon to Becky Greeley, Maryville. Quilted pillow blue ribbon to Phyllis Roberson.

Decorated items Misc. items blue ribbons to Lisa Smeltzer, Maryville; Susan Hersh-Goff, Cambridge, Ill. and Judy White, Maryville.

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Car show draws auto enthusiasts to town

Despite threatening rain, exhibition goes on, awards winners

By Virginia Peters
Chief Reporter

Cool paint jobs, hot motors and big trophies brought people out of their homes in droves Sunday to enjoy the annual Nodaway County Fair Car Show.

While car shows usually begin in May, for many entrants, Sunday's car show was their first car show of the year because of the rainy weather.

"It takes time to get a car ready to show," said Ron McCrary, who entered his Mustang into the car show. "It's harder to get ready for a show if it's raining. You wash and wax your car and drive it there. By the time you reach the place, you have to get it ready it all over again because of the rain."

Richard Thomas, co-owner of the Mustang "Chad's Dream," believes there were other reasons some car owners don't like to show their cars in the rain — rust.

"Old cars rust everywhere," Thomas said. "The paint jobs just aren't the same on them as it is on newer cars."

The answer to the dilemma of rained-out car shows, some may say, is to reschedule the show for a later date, but the owners of the cars say that is not a good solution to the problem.

"Rescheduling a show is a bad idea," McCrary said. "Most owners already have other shows they're scheduled to be at, so it's hard to get people to come back for a rescheduled show."

There were three divisions in the car show — stock, modified and truck.

Each division was further divided into classes by year for a total of 20 classes.

Along with the three divisions, there were also the Best of Chevy, Best of Ford, Best of Mopar, Best of Other, Sponsor's Choice, Best of Show - Stock and Best of Show - Modified awards.

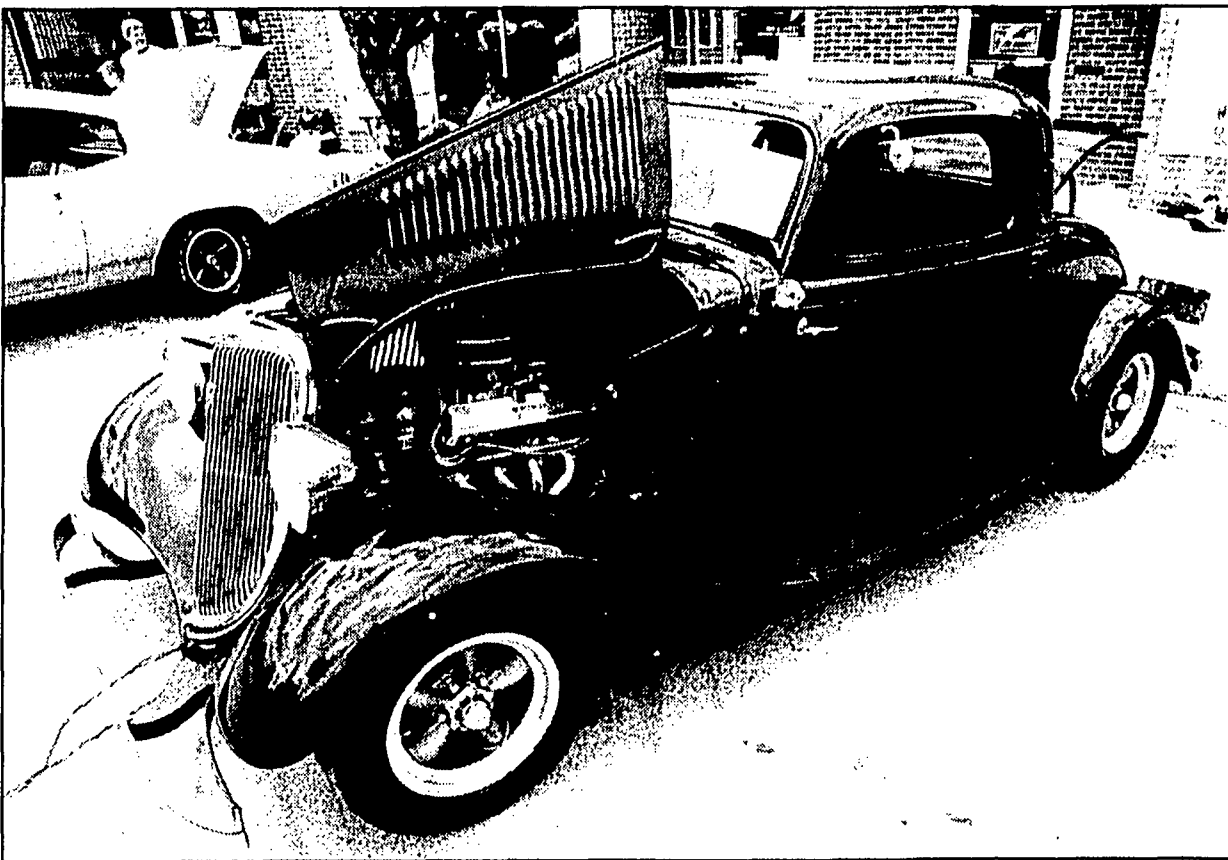
Before washing and waxing the show car, owners prepare their cars in a variety of other ways.

"I spent all winter detailing the engine," Thomas said. "All together I spent about 30 hours getting the car ready to show."

Although the pride an owner has for his or her car and winning a trophy are the two main reasons car owners decide to show their car, they are not the only reasons.

Reasons for entering a car show can often range from meeting people from neighboring towns with the same interests to much more personal reasons such as remembering the loss of a loved one.

"We show 'Chad's Dream' in hopes that someone who knew our son Chad might see it and maybe stop a moment to remember him," Annette Thomas, co-owner of



MITCH BAYSINGER/Chief Photographer

Hot day and hot rods. Wrapping up the Nodaway County Fair Sunday was the car and truck show in which more than 35 vehicles were entered. This 1934 Ford

Coupe, owned by Larry Fuller, won Best of Show Ford in the 11th Annual Nodaway County Fair Car Show which took place in Franklin Park.

"Chad's Dream," said.

The owners of "Chad's Dream" started entering the car in area shows in August 1995 and have driven in parades such as the Craig Reunion Parade. They plan to enter national car shows eventually.

Some car enthusiasts have been showing their cars for a long time.

McCrary started showing his Mustang about five years ago but said he has been fond of cars long before he began showing them.

"I've liked old cars since I was 13 or 14," McCrary said.

For those people interested in becoming a car show entrant, some advice veteran show car owners would

give is to do it for enjoyment.

"Don't buy a car, fix it up and put it in a show if it isn't the car you want," McCrary said. "Buy a Mustang if that's what you want. Don't settle for a Fairlane because it costs less because later you may wish you had bought a Mustang. Buy the one you want no matter what the price."

Livestock results

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Champion Pen-of-Three Kara Gibson, Ridgeway
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Supreme Champion Ewe Jaime Bounds, Albany
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Showmanship (Junior) Jaime Bounds, Albany
Champion Market Lamb Jace Harris, Guilford

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Reserve Grand Champion Cody Blackford, Maryville

Heifers
Supreme Heifer Champion Stacy Fruch, Maryville
Showmanship (Senior) Tim Blackford, Maryville
Showmanship (Junior) Cody Blackford, Maryville
Steer Rate-of-Gain contest Beth Stiens, Skidmore

Hogs
Champion Breeding Gilt Jeff Martin, Guilford
Champion Pen-of-Three Garrett Wood, Elmo
Supreme Champion Boar Jason Brown, Maryville
Grand Champion and Nodaway County Champion Burrow Barry Adwell, Ravenwood
Showmanship (Senior) Jeff Martin, Guilford
Showmanship (Junior) Matt Lager, Conception Jct.

Cyclists receive awards in exhibition

Honors go to motorcyclists from around the locality for quality of vehicles in show

By Virginia Peters
Chief Reporter

Despite a day-long rain, several motorcyclists braved the elements Saturday in order to show their motorcycles at the Nodaway County Fair Motorcycle Show.

Motorcycle enthusiasts came from as far away as Kansas City and Albany to as nearby as St. Joseph and Maryville hoping to bring home a trophy.

The rain may have kept a majority of people away, but 28 motorcyclists entered the show, even though for some the weather could have proven very dangerous.

"I rode up here from Grandview in the rain," competitor Sleazy Rider said. "The rain kept getting in my eyes, so it was really hard to see sometimes."

Some of the motorcyclists didn't have a great distance to travel to enter the show.

"I just go to local shows — the ones in the northwest area," competitor Milton Sovereign said. "I usually go about three or four times per

year, sometimes only twice."

Each motorcycle was entered into one or more of 19 different classes depending on whether it was a stock motorcycle or a modified motorcycle. Stock motorcycles are those which have most, if not all, of the original parts, while modified motorcycles have had several modifications made to them.

The highest honor for anyone entered in a motorcycle show, many owners of show motorcycles would say, is to win the Best of Show award.

"Usually the award is given to the one who has put in a tremendous amount of work on their bike getting it ready for the show," Sovereign said.

This year at the Nodaway County Fair Motorcycle Show, entrants of the show were allowed to judge the motorcycles themselves.

"It gives participants the opportunity to find out about judging," Sovereign said. "It was fun because everyone got to stand out in the rain to judge."

"The absolute best thing to do is to take care of your bike and take care of yourself."

— Milton Sovereign
motorcycle show competitor

Preparing a motorcycle to enter into a show can take a lot of time. For some it takes two to three hours to prepare for a show.

"You have to get the bike into as-good-as-new condition," Sovereign said. "You have to get all the bugs off it when you take it through the car wash and clean the seats. Waxing it is really important, too. The more chrome there is, the better."

Wanting to show off one's motorcycle can be expensive, Sovereign said, and it takes plenty of effort.

Some advice owners are likely to give to newcomers in the competition is to keep the motorcycle out of the sun because it can deteriorate the material used for the seat.

Other bits of advice motorcyclists share is to keep the motorcycle clean at all times — wash and wax immediately after riding it. Riding safely, although not a requirement for the show, is also very important, Sovereign said.

"The absolute best thing to do is to take care of your bike and take care of yourself," Sovereign said.

Open class results

Horticulture Cabbage blue ribbons to Robert Payne, Maryville, (2); Vilas Young, Maryville. Green Beans blue ribbons to Elma Gross, Maryville; Marguerite Young, Maryville; and Vilas Young, Maryville. Egg plant blue ribbons to Marguerite Young, Maryville and Vilas Young, Maryville. Cucumbers blue ribbon to Elma Gross, Maryville. Tomatoes blue ribbon to Carolyn Elswick, Maryville. Onions blue ribbons to Gordon Garrett, Maryville, (2).

Food Preservation Green Bean blue ribbons to Elma Gross, Maryville and Effie Tillie Richardson, Maryville. Raspberry jelly blue ribbon to Elma Gross, Maryville.

Arrangements Tall and over 12 inches blue ribbon to Laura Linville, Burlington Junction. Dried flowers blue ribbon to Alice Hersh, Maryville and red ribbon to Guy Ebersole, Maryville. Potted indoor plant blue ribbon to Mary Ruth Appleby. Perennial blue ribbon to Helen Linebaugh, Maryville and red ribbon to Marguerite Young, Maryville.

Flowers Rose white ribbon to Laura Linville, Burlington Junction. Miscellaneous cut flowers blue ribbons to Marguerite Young, Maryville and Marguerite Carmichael, Maryville. Zinnias blue ribbon to Marguerite Young, Maryville.

New from Old Jewelry blue ribbon to Alice Zimmerman, Maryville. Decorating accent blue ribbon to Alice Zimmerman, Maryville.

Cross-Stitch Seasonal door hangings blue ribbons to Barbara Ebersole, Maryville, and Guy Ebersole, Maryville. Seasonal ornaments blue ribbons to Anita Espey, Maryville; Becky Greeley, Maryville and Lisa Smeltzer, Maryville. Seasonal wall items blue ribbons to Naoma Smeltzer, Maryville and Alice Zimmerman, Maryville. Seasonal table items blue ribbons to Barbara Ebersole, Maryville; Yolanda Clements, Maryville; and Lisa Smeltzer, Maryville. Counted cross-stitch blue ribbons to Joyce Wilmes, Maryville; Gerianne Strough, Stanberry; Donna Holt, Maryville; Gerry Bade, Maryville and Lisa Smeltzer, Maryville.

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Trail group files countersuit

Damage to property leads to 2nd lawsuit in Wabash Trace case

By Colleen Cooke
Copy Director

A group pushing for the development of a nature trail through Maryville has filed a countersuit against a couple it claims damaged the land the trail would occupy.

The Missouri Friends of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail filed the countersuit against Carroll Lee and Mary Boyles, two of 17 original plaintiffs who had earlier filed a suit against the Wabash group.

The countersuit alleges that the Boyleses "bulldozed and damaged the lands of the defendant making it unfit for bicycle, pedestrian or future rail traffic." The suit also charges that the two removed rock from the base of the property and cut trees.

The Wabash group claims the

Boyleses own only the property lying south of the railroad property and have no claim on the area they landscaped.

In addition, the Wabash group is seeking damages in an amount equal to the difference of the value of the land before the changes were made and the value after the landscaping.

Currently, The Wabash Trace Nature Trail is a 64-mile stretch of land lying along abandoned railroad track extending from Blanchard to Council Bluffs, Iowa. In 1995, the Missouri Friends of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail purchased a 26.6-mile, 100-foot wide continuation of the trail from Blanchard to Maryville.

The original lawsuit against the Wabash group contends that when the Norfolk and Western Railway Co. abandoned easements (a right that one may have in another's land) along the railroad track, the easements should have gone back to the adjoining property owners.

Bob Henry, former public relations officer at Northwest, wrote in a column in last week's *Northwest Missourian* quoting Paul Smith, president of the Missouri Friends of the Wabash Trace Nature Trail.

Smith said the group purchased the land in good faith and will fight any opposition.

"We will strongly oppose those actions and protect what is rightfully ours for all the public to enjoy."

**— Paul Smith
president of the Missouri
Friends of the Wabash
Trace Nature Trail**

Restaurant closes doors Wednesday

Drive-in owner says goodbye to business after years in service

By Cynthia Hansen
Chief Reporter

After 24 years in business, Jim & Sara's Drive-In, located at 702 Main, will be closing its doors for the last time Wednesday.

Owner Saralee Cacek said there comes a time when a business owner must make the decision of whether or not to close, and it was her time.

"My son (Jim) helped me up until nine months ago," Cacek said. "He helped to make everything fresh and when he left we have had a hard time getting the volume we used to."

Cacek said the restaurant was a great place for her family.

She said she hates to see the busi-

ness close because of her friends employees over the years.

"I have made wonderful friends," Cacek said. "I have also had great employees. I hate to say goodbye, and it will be hard."

"I have had a good time working here," employee Tina Meyer said. "It has always had a great atmosphere, good customers and employees."

Amy Richardson has worked at the restaurant for six years.

"This was my first job two weeks after I turned 14," Richardson said. "I have had a lot of work and responsibility, but I have really enjoyed it. It has been a great experience."

Until four years ago the restaurant was a franchise of Arctic Circle. In 1992 the Arctic Circle told Cacek either she needed to buy the restaurant outright or get out of the business completely. She decided to buy and it has been Jim & Sara's since.

Department extends sign-up

By Ruby Dittmer
News Editor

The U.S. Secretary of the Department of Agriculture announced the extension of the July 12 deadline to sign up for the 1996 farm program.

The new deadline is set for Aug. 1, and after that time farmers will not be allowed to enroll their crop base acres.

The 1996 farm program allows those who sign up flexibility in plant-

ing without having to set aside crop acres. Jim Nance, executive director of the Nodaway County Farm Services Agency, said 1,517 farmers in the county have enrolled their farmland. This number represents 99 percent of the base crop acres in the county.

"Actually, we signed up more farmers than expected," Nance said. "We are still signing up more. We are getting a few phone calls from farm-

ers who have questions."

Nance also said farmers who did not enroll were mailed an informational letter explaining to them the advantages of enrolling in the program.

In comparison with surrounding counties, Nodaway has signed up more than any bordering county. In the 11-county district of 9,000 farmers who have signed up, more than 1,500 are Nodaway County farmers.

Service assists unemployed

Employment office advises, offers ideas, skills to job seekers

By Stacey Meyer
Contributing Writer

Looking for a job? Maybe the Maryville Job Service can help.

The Maryville Job Service office offers not only information about jobs; the office also has information about training for jobs and areas where certain jobs can be found.

Vonda Thompson, a supervisor at Maryville Job Service, said the department sends applicants to jobs the applicants think they can handle and where the applicants would like to be employed.

"When we first meet with applicants we discuss what job they feel capable of doing," Thompson said. "We don't tell them not to go to a job interview because of a disability, their age or gender."

Job Service provides referral to vocational training for all ages, race and gender.

"When applicants feel they need added training to learn a certain job skill we do our best to help them," Thompson said. "We have referred many people to the vocational school here in town."

Job Service gives young disadvantaged people a chance to finish school and learn job skills by providing information about Job Corps. In addition, the office provides re-

ferred to vocational training for people 55 and older.

The office assists veterans by obtaining employment in federal and state jobs. Job Service also refers veterans to supportive services and training.

"Veterans can get information about support groups and information about where to obtain training for jobs through Job Service."

Job Service has information on cover letters, preparing a résumé and the job interview.

The office also provides information on which areas in the state have job opportunities.

"We can tell people where, for example, landscapers are needed," Thompson said.

Female works construction

Assistant manager overcomes obstacles of nontraditional job

By Ruby Dittmer
News Editor

It was just another day at the office. Although the site had changed again, the work was still the same. She lugged on her boots and grabbed her hardhat and headed out the door.

In a male-dominated field of construction, Brenda Lynnes knew that with each day she would face a new challenge. Her job is the assistant project manager for Construction Project Management International (the company coordinating renovations to Northwest).

She walks through the halls of the Administration Building and Colden Hall, talking with the construction workers and making sure things are progressing as scheduled and being built to specification.

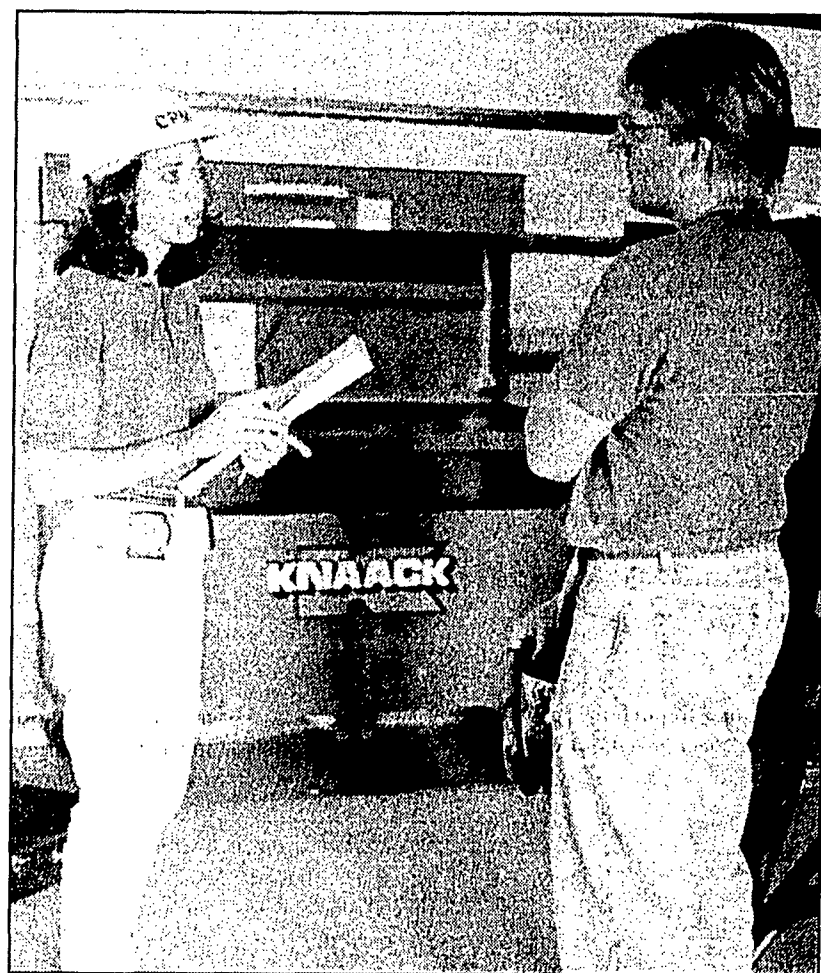
Her upbringing led to her career in construction. Lynnes grew up on a farm in Minnesota. She said her father always believed women should work in the house.

"He didn't really like women working in the fields," Lynnes said. "He thought maybe I should be in the house helping my mom, and that always bugged me."

In high school Lynnes wanted to become an architect. At North Dakota State University, she earned a degree in construction management. While in college, only a small number of women were in the field.

Lynnes believes on the job, she is treated just like "one of the guys" when she is working on the site.

"What they are thinking when I am walking down the hall away from them, I can't say," Lynnes said. "But I've always been treated as an equal and I do not feel that I have been discriminated against. I think as engineers, as all these other fields that were once dominated by men, women are being welcomed more and more into the different professions."



KERRIE KELLY/Chief Photographer

She has a Knaack for it. Making the rounds in the Administration Building, Brenda Lynnes, CMPI as-

stant project manager, talks to Craig Hoppe, a Seaman-Schuske HVAC subcontractor.

Lynnes has been in the construction business for four years and still has a lot to learn. This she believes is not because she is a woman, but because of the limited time she has spent in the construction business.

"One of the things about being a woman in construction is that you have to do what is required of the men as far as wearing the work boots and wearing the hardhat," Lynnes said. "Some women would be opposed to that but if you want to be treated as an equal then you have to do the things that are equal to them."

Wearing the hardhat and boots can sometimes cause confusion for others. Lynnes said at a previous construction site, she was in the women's restroom and another female ap-

proached the stall and checked to see if it was occupied.

"She saw my workbooks and thought I was a male construction worker," Lynnes said. "She yelled at me to get out."

One of the biggest challenges Lynnes is forced to face is the fact that some people discriminate against her because of her gender.

"There is always going to be someone in the industry who will not welcome females into it," Lynnes said. "I dread the day that I have to work with someone like that."

Her work is in a male-dominated field, and each day as she puts on her uniform of jeans, a hard hat and work boots, she would not have it any other way.

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"C-1" League

Monday, July 22

L&L Auto 30, Alice's 4

Energize 22, Jason 19

Tuesday, July 23

J&J 9, Hy-Vee 6

Leaverton 12, L&L 8

Pizza 10, Energize 3

Patton 20, Laura 4

"B" League

Monday, July 22

The Palms 21, KNIM 15

Def Jam* 0, Sears 0

Tuesday, July 23

Grace 11, Ferbergers 10

Friends 5, The Palms 3

Chesnut 20, Def Jam 14

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Monday, July 22

P&L Clinic 18, Hellig 15

Bad Company 18, Comm 7

Tuesday, July 23

Amer. Legion 19, Lumber 7

Tuesday, July 23

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1st Baptist 24, P&L 9

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Monday, July 22

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Floreas Auto 3 12

City Slammers 3 15

Recreational Blue

Pagliai's 17 1

Sandpipers 14 1

Here's the Beef 10 5

Grand River 9 6

Molly's 8 10

Swede Redi 6 12

American Legion 5 10

Diggers 3 12

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Major League Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Central Division

Cleveland 61 40

Chicago 55 46

Milwaukee* 50 49

Minnesota 48 52

Kansas City 46 56

East Division

New York 60 39

Baltimore 50 49

Boston 45 54

Toronto 45 56

Detroit 31 70

West Division

Texas 57 44

Seattle* 53 45

Oakland 53 49

California 48 53

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Central Division

St. Louis 54 47

Houston 54 49

Cincinnati 48 49

Chicago* 46 53

Pittsburgh 45 54

East Division

Atlanta 63 37

Montreal 53 46

Florida 48 52

New York* 47 53

Philadelphia 41 60

West Division

San Diego 54 49

Los Angeles 53 49

Colorado* 52 47

San Francisco* 43 56

* Late game not included

Maryville continues postseason success

By Chris Gelnosky

Sports Editor

With a 27-6 record on the season and two of those victories coming in Belton last weekend, the Maryville Broncos now find themselves part of an elite eight teams in regional play in Omaha, Neb.

After qualifying for sectional play last week in the Northwest Missouri Bronco League District Tournament, the Broncos continued their postseason success with victories that put them into the regionals in Omaha.

In order for Maryville to move on, a first or second place finish out of four teams was necessary.

Maryville lost its opening game Friday to the Blue Springs Blast 8-2, and the Broncos found themselves in the losers bracket of the double-elimination tournament.

But the fight was far from over as far as the Broncos were concerned. Pitcher Chad Hannigan stepped up his game and proved to be the difference in Maryville's 12-4 victory over the Blue Springs Sonic. Hannigan pitched three strong innings and went 4-4 at the plate hitting two home runs for the Broncos.

Shortstop C.J. Messner went 2-3, and second baseman John Ensminger went 3-3 as both players scored twice.

The win put Maryville in the loser's bracket championship game Sunday. The victor would advance to Omaha, the loser would head home, and the Broncos were far from ready to end their season.

Maryville took on the Columbia All-Stars needing the victory to advance through the tournament and squeaked out a one-run victory in nine innings, 10-9.

First baseman Drew Brazier slugged a solo homer in the second inning and a two-run blast in a big fourth inning for Maryville.

After Brazier's second homer of the game, the Broncos loaded the bases with two walks and a single. Messner stepped up to the plate and hit a grand slam to put the Broncos on top 8-2 after four innings.

Maryville allowed Columbia to tie the score and to extra innings the game went.

In the top of the ninth, Columbia had a chance to put some runs on the board, but another Bronco came up with the big play.

With a runner in scoring position, a ball was hit deep to the outfield, but center fielder Josh Simpson saved a run with a great diving catch.

Simpson made himself the hero again, this time in the bottom half of the inning. With Messner on third after a double and a sacrifice, Simpson pounded out the game-winning hit.

After advancing to regionals, head coach Dave Messner said his team has won on defense all year, but it was the bats that made the difference.

"Our pitching has carried us this far, but our offense came through when we needed it," Messner said. "I'm really happy the kids are going to get to Omaha, ... and it's exciting because nobody expected a Maryville team to get past sectionals."

Now a part of regionals, the Broncos played their opening pool game Wednesday night and lost 3-0.

Maryville will also play at 5:45 p.m. Thursday and 3:45 p.m. Saturday at Blonde Field. If the Broncos win two of their three games, they will compete in a single-elimination tournament Sunday, but two losses will bring the fairytale season to an end.

"I don't know how well we'll be able to do because these teams are going to be really good teams," Messner said. "It's going to be tough."

Hobby still draws interest

Young and old keep collecting memories of national pastime

By Paul Smith

Missourian Staff

You are in the store one day waiting to check out, and you decide to buy a pack of baseball cards for the fun and the memories of when you were a child.

So you fork out a few dollars for a pack of "1996 Finest" cards. Then you open them up and find a rare "1996 Finest Refractors" card.

The card is a gold card of Cal Ripken Jr. First you think it is worth a few bucks, so you buy the latest price guide to check it out.

The next thing is astonishing: The card that you just bought while waiting to check out is worth \$1,200.

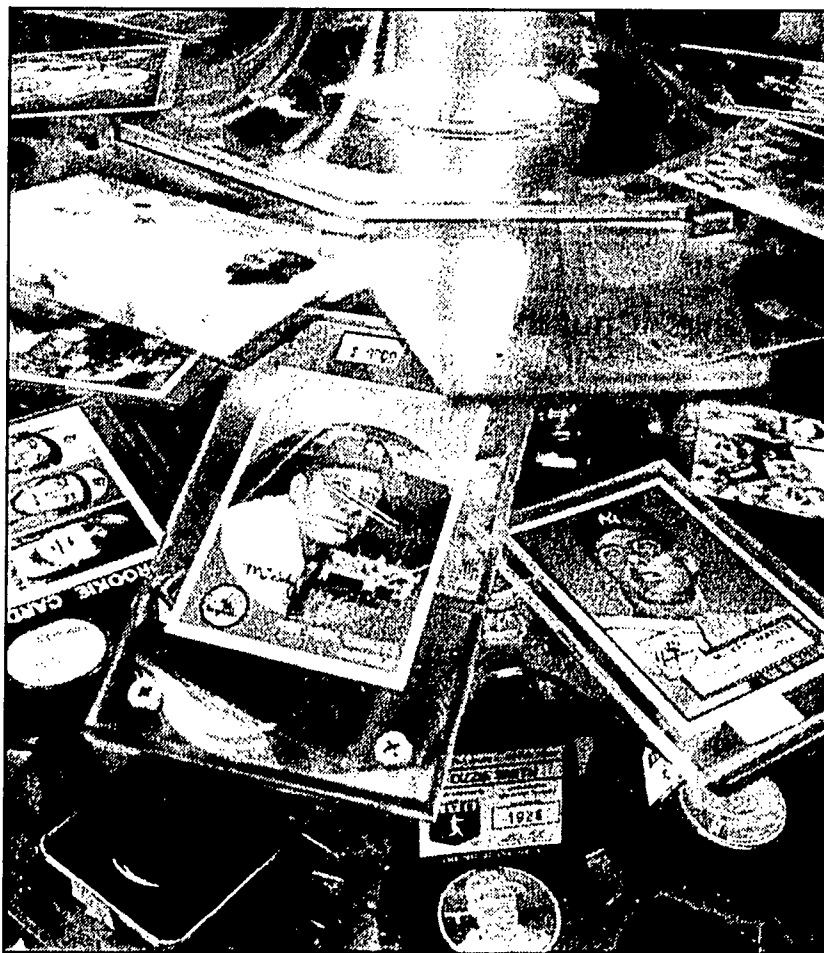
This is how some people get started collecting baseball cards. While they probably won't find a card like this the first time, there are some cards that will at least pay for the pack.

John Frazee, of Frazee's Baseball Cards, has been collecting cards for seven to eight years.

"My grandkids got me started, and it got out of hand," Frazee said. "Baseball card collecting died out after the strike, and now it's only back to about 50 percent."

Frazee said the Atlanta Braves, New York Yankees and Chicago White Sox are the most popular nationally.

Topps cards are at the top of the list of the most popular trading cards along with Upper Deck. Among the



GREG DALRYMPLE/Photography Director

Who's the man. A Mickey Mantle card with a \$600 price tag spins inside a display case in Frazee's Baseball Cards in Peak Entertainment. The card collection includes football, baseball and basketball cards.

most popular players are Ken Griffey Jr., Frank Thomas, Cal Ripken Jr., Hideo Nomo and Johnny Damon.

If you have found, inherited or been collecting cards for a long time, you may want to get a price guide to check out their worth.

According to Beckett's Baseball

Card Monthly, a monthly publication of baseball card prices, a 1952 Topps card of Mickey Mantle is worth up to \$25,000 depending on the condition of the card. This is the highest-valued card on the market.

Frazee's Baseball Cards is set up inside Peak Entertainment Center.

From the Back Row KC skipper flips Royals' lineup card



GREG DALRYMPLE

What does Bob Boone and Missouri weather have in common? You can never tell what is going to happen tomorrow.

For all of you non-Royals fans, Boone (Manager Bob) is the Kansas City Royals manager — the master of the revolving door, play today, sit for a week, forget where your batting glove is so we hit no home runs and are last in the league in almost every offensive category.

Throughout this roller coaster year, Manager Bob has tweaked, twisted, moved, swapped, dropped, changed and flip-flopped the Royals lineup in just about every way.

The result, a not-so-impressive 46-56 record, and that dirty, damp stench we're smelling is the Central Division cellar — a place in which our beloved Royals have never finished a season.

In the past four-game series with the Chicago White Sox, Manager Bob held steady with his topsy turvey, madness method of changing the lineup from day to day and won three of four games in Chicago.

Way to go Bob. Ah, but let's take a closer look at these games, shall we? I think there may be some evidence of tampering, or maybe Manager Bob didn't notice that a small group of players played an entire series.

Six Royals players started all four games and five of those six played the same position each night. (Tricky as it might be to imagine there was a time when the Royals had everyday players; everyday players, what are those?)

Three of those five players, Jose Offerman, Johnny Damon and Joe Randa, played the same position and hit in the same spot in the lineup. (Manager Bob, that is no way to confuse and tear down a young player's confidence. We are trying to build for the future, by finishing dead last, remember?)

Those same three players had a combined batting average of .286 at the beginning of the series and completed the series with the same batting average. (Good God! That sounds a lot like consistent play to me. With the pitching of the American League being at such the competitive level this season, you know, the blistering 5.13 ERA league average; this is not your average watered-down, everybody-else-go-for-the-fence year.)

Let's not be completely negative. The boys in blue did just finish a run of 24 games against Central opponents 12-12. The Royals have also won five out of their last seven games, including beating the Cleveland Indians twice and the Sox three times, but Kansas City was unable to get the job done against the rest of the division.

This season's mid-point has come and gone, and now the Royals have the opportunity to really pick up some ground and maybe even turn the year around in the last 60 games of the season.

Twenty-five of those 60 games are against teams with losing records; 18 of those games are against last-place teams. The not-so-regal Royals then finish up the year with 12 games against Central opponents.

All right, maybe a playoff berth is not likely, barring any natural disaster involving sharp shards of glass, the Indians, the White Sox, a singing six pack and a cross-eyed monkey. (It is too frightening to explain.)

There is, however, a strong possibility with hard work and a little luck, our summertime buddies of the ballpark could monopolize the Central Division basement. It might not even be too far-fetched to believe the Royals could get a foothold on a respectable third in the division by the end of the season.

Greg Dalrymple is the photography director for the Northwest Missourian.

Legion finishes year No. 1

Sox look to use top ranking and 1st-round bye to move a step closer to State crown

By Chris Gelnosky

Sports Editor

Ranked No. 1 in the region and ready to take the field, the Northwest Sox look to continue their season by winning the district tournament in St. Joseph.

District games were scheduled for Monday through Wednesday, but scheduling problems pushed the tournament back to Thursday.

Northwest's first game of the three-team double-elimination tournament is at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Phil Welch Field because it was awarded with a first-round bye.

A victory would put the Sox in the championship game, but a loss would leave Northwest in a must-win situation for an 8:30 game.

Head coach Tom Huffington said his team can beat both of these teams, and he thinks the group has the opportunity to move on.

"I think we have a good shot of winning the district," Huffington said. "Both teams are good, competitive teams, and we're going to have to play good baseball if we're going to win (the district tournament)."

Starting time for the championship game is 6:30 p.m. Friday. Northwest has played both of the St. Joseph teams in the district three times this season, and the Sox won two of three games from both squads.

Assistant coach Pat Wellington will take over the role of manager for districts.

If the Sox walk away with the championship, Northwest will advance to the zone tournament in Blue Springs, but a loss will bring their season to a close.

The zone tournament championship will move to the state tournament semifinals.

"... we're going to have to play good baseball if we're going to win (the district tournament)."

—Tom Huffington
Sox head coach

1996 Olympic Medal Count

MEDAL TRACKER

	G	S	B	TOTAL
United States	9	14	4	27
Russia	9	7	3	19
France	6	3	7	16
Germany	0	6	9	15
China	5	5	4	14
Italy	3	4	3	10
Poland	5	2	2	9
Cuba	3	4	2	9
Korea	3	3	2	8
Australia	3	0	5	8
Hungary	0	0	5	5
Belgium	2	1	2	5
Japan	2	2	1	5
Bulgaria	0	1	4	5
Belarus	0	3	2	5
Netherlands	0	0	4	4
Turkey	3	0	1	4
Brazil	0	1	2	3
Ukraine	1	0	2	3

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**Assembly of God
First Church**
921 E. Third
582-2623

9:30 a.m. Sunday
school
10:20 a.m. Sunday
worship
6 p.m. Sunday
worship
7 p.m. Wednesday
Bible study

Church of Christ
217 E. Sixth
582-8089

9:30 a.m. Sunday
school
10:30 a.m. Sunday
worship
6 p.m. midweek
worship
7 p.m. Wednesday
Bible study

**Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter Day
Saints**

1721 S. Munn
582-8536
10 a.m. Sunday
school
10:50 a.m. Priesthood
and Relief Society
11:50 a.m. Sacrament

Church of Nazarene
1139 S. Munn
562-2420

9:45 a.m. Sunday
school
10:45 a.m. Sunday
worship
6 p.m. Sunday
evangelistic service
7 p.m. Wednesday
Bible study

**Countryside
Christian Church**
West 16th & Country
Club Road
582-8872

9:30 a.m. Sunday
school
10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
regular worship
10:30 a.m. junior
worship
7 p.m. Sunday group
6 p.m. Wednesday

men's prayer group
7 p.m. Wednesday
women's
Bible study

First Baptist Church
121 E. Jenkins
562-2616

9:30 a.m. Sunday
school
10:45 a.m. Sunday
regular worship
(broadcast on KNIM)
6:30 p.m. Wednesday
prayer meeting
7 p.m. Sunday
worship

**First Christian
Church**

201 W. Third
582-4101
9 a.m. Sunday church
school
8 a.m. and 10:25 a.m.
Sunday worship

**First Presbyterian
Church**

211 S. Main
582-4257
9 a.m. Sunday school
10:30 a.m. Worship

**First United
Methodist Church**

102 N. Main
582-4821
8 and 10 a.m. Worship
9 a.m. Sunday school
5-6:30 p.m. Sunday
youth group

Hope Lutheran

931 S. Main
582-3262
9 a.m. Sunday school
and Bible study
10 a.m. Worship
Holy Communion first
and third Sundays

**Laura Street Baptist
Church**

120 S. Laura
582-4773
8:15, 10:40 a.m. and 7
p.m. Sunday worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday
church school
7 p.m. Wednesday

youth group and Bible
study

**Reorganized Church
of Jesus Christ of
Latter Day Saints**

415 W. First
582-2651
9:45 a.m. Sunday
church school
10:45 a.m. Worship
7 p.m. Wednesday
Fellowship

**St. Gregory's
Catholic Church**
333 S. Davis
582-3833

5-6 p.m. Saturday
confessions
6 p.m. Saturday Mass
7:30, 9 and 11 a.m.
Sunday Masses
7 a.m. and 8:05 a.m.
weekday Masses

**St. Paul's Episcopal
Church**

901 N. Main
582-5832
10:30 a.m. Sunday
school and Holy
Eucharist
5:30 p.m., Wednesday
midweek Holy
Eucharist

**Temple Baptist
Church**

1604 N. Main
582-2992
10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Sunday
worship
7:30 p.m. Wednesday
Bible study

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Spiritual Seekers

Children's faith shines like starlight



**JUDY
LAWYER**

Last week, seven of our grandchildren camped out in the back yard in tents. The heavens provided a canopy of awesome elegance

giving us a sense of security plus minuteness in our marvelous world. How lucky we were to witness the sky arrayed in a brilliance that was immeasurable.

Due to their ages, the astronomy lesson was brief. The Big Dipper, Mars and Venus were located. Movement of jets and orbiting satellites were pointed out to their tired eyes.

As we laid and gazed above at the splendor, we sang "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." The children were quick to form an analogy between the stars and the lightning bugs seen in the garden and along the creek.

Our discussion turned to God's creation and where stars fit into God's plan. "And on the third day, God made the two great lights, the greater light to rule the day, the lesser light to rule the night, he

made the stars also (Genesis 1:16)." All were attentive as sun, moon, solar energy and light years were explained in the simplest of terms.

The 4-year-old asked, "Grandma, why didn't God put the stars closer to us so we could see them better?" Realizing that my explanation of light years and distance was beyond his comprehension, yet this 4-year-old never questioned God's creation.

In faith, he accepted the fact that God was responsible for the beauty around us. His only concern was that God could have placed the beautiful stars a little closer.

In the eyes and mind of a child everything is so simple and believable.

Oh, to have faith so genuinely simple and satisfying.

One by one they drifted off to sleep, while I remained in awe of God's splendor, peacefulness of the night and the faith of the child. The day's events, the TWA tragedy, became a cloud descending upon my thoughts.

Needless devastation and ensuing fear created doubts of my faith in God and His plan. Like a child, the question of "Why?" becomes all consuming. Why can this disaster be a part of God's plan?

As the child did not comprehend, neither can I comprehend the waste.

Why does such an ugly act have to happen in our world? Some words from S.A. Nagel's poem, "God and Man" soothes my conscience:

Whenever I am prone to doubt and wonder,

I check myself, and say, the mighty

One Who made the solar system cannot blunder,

And for the best all things are being done.

He who set the stars on their eternal courses,

Has fashioned this strange earth by some sure plan.

If the ugliness of the day's events can be softened or easier to comprehend, the brilliant stars of the night helped. Their radiance and movement in the heavens instilled in me that God is still in control.

Faith in our Maker is the only way to overcome our doubts and fear. Through faith all things can be conquered.

We may never fully understand the events of the day, but our faith will allow us to focus on the beauty that surrounds us and prepare us for the next day.

Judy Lawyer is a Sunday school teacher at the First Christian Church in Maryville.

New director takes over St. Greg's religious ed

*Leader accepts duties
of Catholic Sunday
school organization*

By Colleen Cooke
Features Editor

Children attending St. Gregory Catholic Church's Sunday school program will see a new face at the head of the program in September.

Donna Rose Echeverriah has taken over as director of elementary religious education at St. Gregory's following the departure of former director Helga Sheil.

Echeverriah began the part-time position July 1 after being hired in June. Her main responsibilities will be to coordinate the church's Sunday school program in conjunction with the grade school.

She said this year she would like to see two teachers in charge of each grade, which includes preschool through eighth.

"Our job is to assist parents in bringing children at St. Gregory's to Christ," Echeverriah said. "Parents are the primary teachers of religion."

Having moved to Maryville in February when her husband, Ed, got a job at Conception Abbey, Echeverriah offered her help to Sheil earlier in the year.

After Echeverriah, who had

worked previously in Long Island, N.Y., in religious education, substituted for the grade school's eighth grade class, she caught Sheil's attention.

"I thought this must be a message from God — divine guidance," Sheil said.

Sheil recommended that Echeverriah take over the program at around the time that Fr. Leitner retired in June. She said the timing worked out just right for a change in administration.

"I thought maybe some new blood would be good for the (religious education) program," Sheil said.

However, while Sheil may be leaving the operation of the Sunday school program in new hands, she said she is not bowing out at St. Greg's for good.

"I really don't like to call it retiring," Sheil said. "Somebody gave me that title. I'm just changing into some other kind of occupational business. I think my ministry will continue in

a different way."

After spending more than 20 years overseeing the religious education program at St. Gregory's, Sheil said she plans to spend a while hanging

around her house, and she doesn't know exactly what she plans to do next.

However, she will still be a presence around Maryville and St. Gregory's even without the position.

"In a way I feel sad because I'm going to miss everyone, but I still will be at the parish on the weekends," Sheil said.

Meanwhile, Echeverriah will also be at the parish every weekend, but on a continuing basis.

"I've been telling everyone that I love Maryville and that

I'm not leaving," Echeverriah said. If you would like to enroll your child in St. Gregory's Sunday school program, contact the church at 582-2462.

The cost for one child is \$20, for two is \$40 and for three or more is \$50 for the entire year. The program begins Sunday, Sept. 15.

In Review

Christian music rocks the house

Reviewer: Virginia Peters
Artists: Carman, WHITECROSS
Album: R.I.O.T., By Demand
Grades: B, A-

In a world full of hot secular music, it's a relief to know that the Christian segment of society has not been left behind to endure to the same old hymns.

For those wanting to listen to a variety of different beats, from country and western to rock-n-roll to rap, we have always been able to turn to Carman with his fresh new sounds.

However, the CD "R.I.O.T." is not up to his usual standards. Perhaps Carman decided to tame his music and follow the traditional, if slightly modified, hymn style for a reason, but that reason has eluded this music-lover.

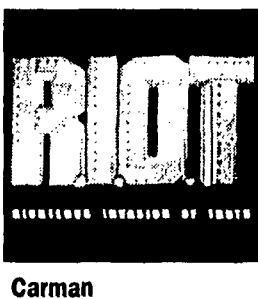
Compared to his past CDs, this one has few songs worth listening to repeatedly. Although the messages in the songs are in the Christian view, the choice of rhythm and instrumentals were poor at best. For instance, "Step of Faith" goes way beyond country and

western into some strange recreation of a '70s song.

Another problem with the songs is that most of them sound the same — slow and ultra-angelic. "God Is Exalted" and "Whiter Than Snow" display this problem well. In the past, Carman made exalting the Most High seem something to shout about, but this time he is whispering it.

The saving grace for this CD is the song "No Monsters," which not only tells a cool, if funny, story but also has an awesome beat. This song is great for children and adults who fear the dark or, as adults put it, the unknown. This is the one song on the entire CD this music-lover will hit the repeat button on.

Truth be told, unless you're really into spending money to listen to one song, don't worry about buying "R.I.O.T."



Carman



WHITECROSS

metal music-lovers. The lyrics are hard-hitting and the instrumentals are exceptional.

Of course, no CD is perfect and neither is "By Demand." I like guitar solos as well as anyone, but the one on this CD is a bit over the top. Stuck between two songs, this solo not only sounds like nothing more than a squeaky chair, it is also overly long and drawn-out.

The rest of the songs are very much in the same vain as other songs WHITECROSS has produced.

All in all, though, "By Demand" is a great buy.

On the other hand, WHITECROSS's CD "By Demand" is worth tuning into.

As per usual, WHITECROSS has delivered yet another smash CD to heavy

Vacation Bible school takes place next week

By Colleen Cooke
Features Editor

Children from the First Christian Church and the First Presbyterian Church will be camping out with Jesus next week at their Vacation Bible School.

With the theme of "Friendship Adventures with Jesus," about 60 children from both churches will spend three hours each evening, starting at 5:30 p.m., from Sunday, July 28, to Thursday, Aug. 1, at a sort of friendship camp, program coordinator Jill Colville said.

While many other vacation Bible schools take place during the mornings, Colville said this is the third year they have had the program during the early evening hours of the week.

"It's kind of nice for the moms that work because we feed the kids dinner," Colville said.

In addition, this year the camp will take

place Sunday-Thursday instead of Monday-Friday because Colville said they have discovered that many families like to leave for vacations on Friday, which proved to be a scheduling inconvenience.

There is no cost to participate in the program; the children only have to bring with them one package of pre-sweetened Kool-Aid.

With money from a children's fund at the Presbyterian Church and other donations, the children will receive a special T-shirt at the camp.

In addition to Colville, Laurie Worthington from the First Christian Church and Rita Wallinga from the First Presbyterian Church are conducting the program.

While Colville said the organizers prefer to have parents sign up their children before the camp begins, she said they always do have a few children sign up on the first day of the camp each year.

The Stroller

Your Man's ping has no pock

OK, pop quiz (no, not on vocabulary, but I scared ya, didn't I?) — who did their homework and read this fabulous column on June 20? Anybody? (PLEASE tell me somebody gets that joke.)

Well, if you did, you not only get the 10 extra credit points, but you might fully appreciate the true impact meaning of this next statement: Your Man's tennis game is as bad as his pool game.

WHOA, you're saying. Not possible. How could tennis bring about the same kind of bloodshed of a simple, yet inebrated (vocab word!) game of pocket billiards?

Happily, Your Man's tennis-playing skills have not brought about a draining of any bodily fluids, minus massive amounts of sweat, YET. But what it has done is reduce my ego to the size of a little baby tennis ball (awwwwww, another precious gift from God, J.H.).

The problem: I have no pock in my volleys. Lemme splain. No, there is too much. Lemme sum up (PLEASE tell me somebody got that joke too). You've all watched Wimbledon, so you know exactly what a tennis serve or hit is supposed to sound like: *pock*. Nice, clean, strong, masculine and, most importantly, loud. It follows the logic of physics (and when you locate that logic, let Yours Truly know), that 90-mile-an-hour, fired-from-a-rocket, burn-a-hole-in-your-racket serves would announce their presence with authority (ooo — another relatively obscure movie reference. That's three now if you're keeping score).

That announcement comes in the form of a *pock*, not a *whoops* or a *ping* or a *dammit*, as Your Man's often do. Whenever I try to announce my tennis presence with authority, the announcement often sails high over the back fence and into the waiting mouths of the



THE STROLLER

Daily tennis class brings ego-shrinking ritual of humiliation

mammoth lawn mowers. And those aren't even pocks. Those are usually the silent deserters who get out while the gettin's good, embarrassed to be associated with Your Man.

So every day in tennis class, Your Man is subjected to the humiliation of watching and hearing other players' *pocks* whoosh by (and pocks do whoosh. Pings, on the other hand, do not), mocking me with their speed and accuracy. Meanwhile, the only time I'm accurate with a tennis volley (or a tennis *ting*) is on accident.

Here's a typical game with

Your Man, A, and absolutely anybody in class, B:

B serves to A. A, feeling cocky and Strolleresque, smashes a silent deserter over the left fence. 15-love.

B serves to A. A, suddenly intimidated by that tennis faux-pas, barely nicks the surface of the speeding fuzzi-ball, creating a *whuff* sound and sending it sailing a whole four feet in front of the net. 30-love.

B serves to A. A, realizing that he's losing big time, tries his darndest to get the damn ball over the net. Result: a well-intentioned stroke that ends in the all-too-common *ping* into the net. 40-love.

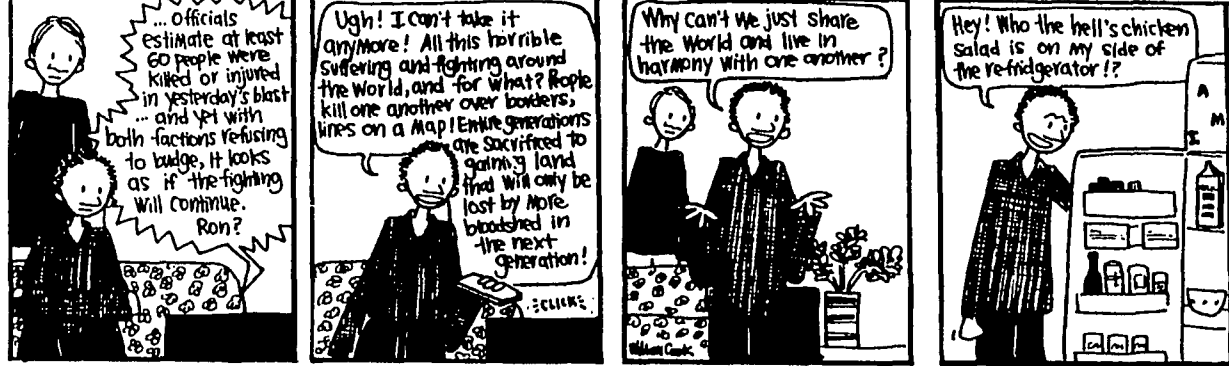
B serves to A. Game point. A, too busy worrying about the embarrassment he is suffering as the instructor shakes his head in disgust, actually hits a baby *pock* and it goes over the net! Rejoice! However, B volleys straight back during all this rejoicing, and A watches an easy one float right past his racket. Game over.

And after all this, I still come home sore and stiff, as if I actually played a real game. Who knew being so darn atrocious could be such hard work?

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918.

STAMPEDE

by Willow Cook



Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1 Hurried
5 Masculine
9 Sine
13 Busy place
14 New
15 Stratagem
16 Tavern brews
17 Come up
18 Pay up

19 Merited
21 Shed
23 Regret
24 Seeger or Fountain
25 African fly
28 Came in
32 Tilt
33 Endure
35 Whitney or

Wallach
36 Cover
37 Campers' homes
38 Transgress
39 Pindaric work
40 Sunbeams
41 Stockholm resident
43 Tense

46 Exultantly proud
47 Other
48 Period
49 Seal
52 Conquered
57 Wan
58 Size of type
60 — avis
61 Chills and fever
62 Artist's item
63 Mild oath
64 Activist
65 Building place
66 Printing direction

Answers to last week's puzzle

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Weekly Events

Kansas City

July 25-28 - "Phantom" at 8:30 p.m. Starlight Theater
July 26 - Everclear, Spacehog Tracy Bonham at Sandstone. Admission: starting at \$12.50. (913) 721-3400
July 26 - Styx and Kansas at Stoneridge Amphitheatre. Admission: \$17.50
July 26-28 - "The King and I" at Shawnee Mission Theater in the Park. Gates open at 6 p.m.; show begins at 8:30 p.m. Admission: \$2 for adults; free for children under 3
July 26 - Free Friday Family Fun Fest at 5 p.m. at Crown Center
July 27 - Kansas City Air Show at Richards-Gebaur Airport
July 28 - Styx and Kansas at 7:30 p.m. at Sandstone
Aug. 2 - K.d. lang at 8 p.m. at Starlight Theater. Admission: \$22 and \$35
Aug. 4 - Sting with Lyle Lovett at 8 p.m. at Sandstone. Admission: \$27.50, lawn seats \$20

Des Moines

July 24-29 - Polk County 4-H and FFA Fair at the Iowa State Fairgrounds, East 30th Street and University Avenue (515) 262-3111, ext. 203
July 25 - Aug. 4 - Creative Coleus at the Botanical Center, 909 E. River Drive. (515) 242-2934
July 25 - Aug. 25 - "Nonsense" at the Ingersoll Dinner Theater, 3711 Ingersoll Avenue. This comedy follows the exploits of five nuns and their fund-raising efforts. For information, (515) 274-4686
July 26 - Des Moines Menace vs. Omaha at Hoover High School, 50th Street and Aurora Avenue at 7 p.m. (515) 278-4686
July 26-28 - Antique Show at Southridge Mall, S.E. 14th Street and Army Post Road. (515) 287-3889
July 30 - Sept. 7 - "Vicki Ingham: Landscapes" exhibit of oils on canvas and paper at the Artists' Gallery, 206 Fourth St., West Des Moines. (515) 279-1223

Omaha

July 25 - Aug. 31 - "Oklahoma" at the Dundee Dinner Theatre, 5021 Underwood Ave. Thurs-Sat: 7 p.m. dinner, 8 p.m. show; Sun: 5 p.m. dinner, 6 p.m. show. Admission: \$15 and up. (402) 558-8535
July 25-28 - "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" at the Orpheum Theater
July 25-29 - Westfair, Southwest Iowa's largest county fair with a family festival on Saturday and Sunday. Thurs-Sun: 8 a.m. - midnight; Mon: 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. (402) 345-5401
July 27-28 - Muddy Mo Ceramic and China Painters Show at AKsaben, 6800 Mercy Rd. Sat: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sun: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. (402) 359-5050
July 27 - Sept. 15 - "Rodin: Sculpture from the B. Gerald Cantor Collection" at the Joslyn Art Museum; Tues, Wed, Fri and Sat: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Thurs: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Sun: noon-5 p.m. Admission: \$4 adults, \$2 senior citizens and children 5-11, free for 4 and younger

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